

**CITY OF MILPITAS
SENIOR ADVISORY COMMISSION**

Minutes:	Senior Advisory Commission
Date of Meeting:	March 11, 2003 – Special Meeting
Place of Meeting:	Milpitas City Hall, Committee Meeting Room

**I. CALL TO ORDER
& PLEDGE**

Chairperson Weisgerber called the meeting to order at 1:25 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commissioners Present: Jim Burns, Mary Banick, Carlos Fabregas, Bakshish Sandhu, Denny Weisgerber.

Commissioners Absent: Bal Daquigan, Albert Wang, and Joanne Wood.

Alternates Present: Frances Woodworth was seated for Bal Daquigan and Amanda Santos was seated for Albert Wang.

At 1:30 PM, Bal Daquigan joined the meeting. Amanda Santos then became the alternate for Joanne Wood.

Council Liaison: Councilmember Althea Polanski

Staff Present: Kathleen Yurchak, Recreation Services Supervisor

II. MINUTES

MOTION to approve the Minutes of the February 18, 2003, Senior Advisory Commission meeting.

M/S: Fabregas/Woodworth

Ayes: Unanimous

III. FINANCIAL REPORT

Recreation Services Supervisor, Yurchak read through the Financial Report. Note, receipt and file.

IV. CITIZENS FORUM

Mr. Arthur Swanson, 311 Carnegie Drive welcomed today's speaker, Mark Rogge, Principal Civil Engineer for the City and thanked Mr. Rogge for the great work he did for the City of Mountain View.

**V. ANNOUNCEMENTS/
CORRESPONDENCE**

Recreation Services Supervisor, Yurchak read the announcements as noted on page 1 of the agenda.

Supervisor Yurchak introduced Dale Flunoy, Recreation Program Coordinator. Mr. Flunoy will work four hours at the Sports Center and four hours at the Senior Center. He will be working with Kathleen on Senior Center program coordination.

Supervisor Yurchak congratulated Commissioner Sandhu on her reappointment to this Commission.

Mr. Mark Rogge, Principal Civil Engineer for the City, gave a PowerPoint presentation of the interim building addition for the temporary Milpitas Senior Center. City Council approved the budget and staff is moving forward. He reported that the cost-effective design is for a short term of 3-4 years and will provide appropriate space to support normal Senior Center activities at the Cracolice Building site.

Supervisor Yurchak reported that staff is working with VTA to provide better transportation to the Cracolice Building. Sura Weiner of Milpitas expressed concern with rumored cutbacks of bus route #66.

Mr. Rogge stated that since there is concern with lack of good air circulation in the meeting room at the Cracolice Building, as mentioned by Mr. Swanson, he would take a look at the ventilation system. He reported that there would be 4 classrooms in the temporary building, which can be adjusted to meet the needs of large and small groups.

VI. AGENDA

MOTION to adopt the Agenda for March 11, 2003, Special Commission meeting, as submitted.

M/S: Fabregas/Woodworth

Ayes: Unanimous

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Senior Issues Projects Update

Supervisor Yurchak reported that the Council Subcommittee is still working on details for a new Senior Center. No new information yet from the Subcommittee because they have not met recently. She will update the Commission as soon as the meeting has taken place.

2. Senior Advisory Commission Project Updates

Frances Woodworth, facilitator of the Housing/Senior Center Task Force said that other than working on what is affordable in Milpitas, there was no other information to report.

Chairperson Weisgerber, facilitator of the Transportation Task Force, stated there was no new information to report.

Mary Banick, facilitator of the Senior Services and Programs Task Force said Mark Rogge's report was her updated report.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Donation of \$100 from the Senior Advisory Commission

MOTION: That the Senior Advisory Commission donate \$100 for the 25th Anniversary of the Senior Nutrition Program celebration.

M/S: Banick/Woodworth

Ayes: Unanimous

IX. OTHER BUSINESS

1. STAFF REPORTS

1.1 Recreation Services

Supervisor Yurchak read through the report on page 2 of the agenda. She reported that the Springtime in the Gold Country trip would be to the Ironstone Winery. Note, receipt and file.

1.2 Senior Center Nutrition

Roseann Costabile read through the report on page 2 of the agenda. Note, receipt and file.

2. LIAISON REPORTS

2.1 City Council

Councilmember Althea Polanski reported that Judge Thomas Hanson is looking for members to sit on the Grand Jury. If anyone is interested they can contact her after the meeting today.

Councilmember Althea Polanski reported that at the last City Council meeting, the City Manager reported that until the Governor and Legislature know what dollars they are taking away from California cities, the City of Milpitas will not know its exact fiscal impact. Currently, City staff is bringing forward ideas for ways to cut the City budget without cutting services to citizens. As of the end of February, the City has \$2 million dollars in savings and is hoping to save more. Revenues the City was anticipating in the amount of \$8 million dollars will not be received. Currently, there is a plan amendment for the Redevelopment Area with redevelopment dollars to use; the City plans to build the new library and new senior center. With RDA dollars, 78 cents of each redevelopment dollar is used to build such buildings as mentioned above. Councilmember Polanski said she is very proud of staff's hard work and efforts.

**2.2 Council on Aging
Advisory Committee**

Frances Woodworth reported that at the last meeting of COA, Betty Malks, Dept. of Aging & Adult Services spoke on the budget and closing of Agnews and one adult facility in Southern California. There is still uncertainty of the amount of the budget deficit but all programs will face cuts including long-term care, salaries and benefits and Valley Medical services. Cuts are also proposed for in-home support, nutrition, case management, meals on wheels, Foster Grandparents, senior housing, senior companion and respite registry to name a few. On March 13, the San Jose Medical Center will close and the entire burden will fall on the Valley Medical Center.

2.3 AARP

No report.

2.4 Nutrition Site Council

Joyce Dovlet presented a Financial Report. Note, receipt and file.

**2.5 Parks, Recreation and
Cultural Resources Comm.**

No report.

2.6 Arts Commission

No report.

XI. Adjournment

Vice Chair Steve Lu reported that he will be leaving for China next month and will be absent at the April meeting. There being no further business, Chairperson Weisgerber adjourned the meeting at 2:10 PM.

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on April 15, 2003 at 1:30 PM in the City Hall Committee Meeting Room.

Respectfully submitted,
Vicki Lindeman
Commission Secretary ProTem